

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 11, without prejudice; amend claims 3, 4, 7, 8, 12 and 17; and add new claim 18. The status of the claims is as follows:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A light source device comprising:

first and second light sources which emit light; and

~~a planar~~ light guide plate having a planar light exit surface, a planar or curved light reflecting surface opposite said light exit surface, a first light-emitting region which is provided in an area other than the neighborhood of the first light source and which has a first lighting element provided on said light reflecting surface for taking out, through said light exit surface, light guided from the side of the first light source, and a second light-emitting region which is provided in an area other than the neighborhood of the second light source and which has a second lighting element provided on said light reflecting surface for taking out, through said light exit surface, light guided from the side of the second light source;

wherein the first and second lighting elements ~~include a light scattering element formed of~~ comprises fine irregularities on the evenly formed on the planar or curved light reflecting surface of the ~~planar~~ light guide plate.

4. (Currently Amended) A light source device according to claim 3, wherein the ~~planar~~ light guide plate has light-reflecting elements for reflecting light on end faces thereof which are opposite to the first and second light sources, respectively.

5. (Previously Presented) A light source device according to claim 3, wherein each of the first and second light sources is a plurality of point light sources which are provided side by side.

6. (Previously Presented) A light source device according to claim 3, wherein the first light source is provided near the second light-emitting region and wherein the second light source is provided near the first light-emitting region.

7. (Currently Amended) A light source device according to claim 3, further comprising:

a first light guide region for guiding light from the side of the first light source to the first light-emitting region; and

a second light guide region for guiding light from the side of the second light source to the second light-emitting region;

wherein the first and second light guide regions are provided in the single ~~planar~~ light guide plate.

8. (Currently Amended) A light source device according to claim 3, further comprising:

a first light guide region for guiding light from the side of the first light source to the first light-emitting region; and

a second light guide region for guiding light from the side of the second light source to the second light-emitting region;

wherein the first and second light guide regions are provided in each of a couple of the ~~planar~~ light guide plates which are stacked one on the other.

9. (Previously Presented) A light source device according to claim 3, further comprising a light source driving circuit for causing the first and second light sources to emit light at a predetermined flashing frequency at predetermined timing which is different between the light sources.

10. (Previously Presented) A light source device according to claim 3, wherein the first and second light-emitting regions are divided into respective plural parts which are alternately arranged.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A light source device according to claim 3, wherein a plurality of the ~~planar~~ light guide plates are provided such that they are optically independent of each other.

13. (Previously Presented) A display comprising:
a display panel having a display area including a plurality of pixels;
a driving circuit for supplying a predetermined drive signal to the display panel;
and
a light source device for illuminating the display panel;
wherein the light source device is a light source device according to claim 3.

14. (Previously Presented) A display according to claim 13, wherein the display panel is a liquid crystal display panel having a pair of substrates and a liquid crystal sealed between the pair of substrates.

15. (Previously Presented) A display according to claim 13, wherein the first and second light-emitting regions are arranged in a direction in which the display area is scanned.

16. (Previously Presented) A display according to claim 13, wherein a flashing frequency for alternatively driving the first and second light source of the light source device is equal to a frame frequency of the display panel.

17. (Currently Amended) A display according to claim 16, wherein the driving circuit performs multi-scan by causing the first and second light sources to flash at the flashing frequency, and by turning on the first and second light sources to emit light at a timing which is set based on a predetermined phase difference ~~to~~ of the drive signal to the display panel.

18. (New) A light source device comprising:
first and second light sources which emit light; and
a light guide plate having a planar light exit surface, a light reflecting surface opposite said light exit surface, a first light-emitting region which is provided in an area other than the neighborhood of the first light source and which has a first lighting element provided on said light reflecting surface for taking out, through said light exit surface, light guided from the side of the first light source, and a second light-emitting region which is provided in an area other than the neighborhood of the second light source and which has a second lighting element provided on said light reflecting surface for taking out, through said light exit surface, light guided from the side of the second light source;

wherein the first and second lighting elements include a light-scattering layer formed on the planar or curved light reflecting surface of the light guide plate.